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1. AT JULY 4 RECEPTION GHAUS, IN VERY BRIEF DISCUSSION WITH EMBASSY NARCOTICS OFFICER, SAID HE WOULD NOT RPT NOT ATTEND JULY 24/25 MEETINGS IN GENEVA. HE SAID HIS DEPTY, MOHAMMAD HAKIM ARYOUBI, NOW IN GENEVA FOR SEABED CONFERENCE, WOULD BE THERE FOR ABOUT SEVEN WEEKS AND THEREFORE WOULD ALSO ACT AS RG'S SOLE REP AT NARCOTICS MEETINGS.

2. ADCM TELEPHONED GHAUS JULY 7 TO EXPRESS DISAPPOINTMENT IF ABOVE REPORT WERE TRUE. GHAUS SAID IT TRUE HE WOULD NOT RPT NOT ATTEND AND THAT ARYOUBI HAD BEEN FULLY BRIEFED ON ENTIRE NARCOTICS SUBJECT AND RGA POSITION. ADCM INDICATED THAT AMBASSADOR NEUMANN WOULD HEAD U.S. DELEGATION WHICH WOULD PROBABLY INCLUDE STATE AND AID REPRESENTATIVES FROM WASHINGTON. ALSO INDICATED MANY OTHER GOVERNMENTS WOULD PARTICIPATE INCLUDING IN ALL LIKELIHOOD USSR. GHAUS COMMENTED STRANGE SOVIETS IN KABUL HAVE NEVER ONCE EVEN HINTED AT GENERAL SUBJECT. ADCM THEN SAID IT HIS PERSONAL BELIEF, SINCE NO RPT NO INSTRUCTIONS, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THAT RGA SHOULD BE REPRESENTED BY PERSON MOST FAMILIAR

WITH SUBJECT, THAT OFFICER, NO MATTER HOW FULLY BRIEFED CONCERNED WITH TWO SUBJECTS OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE COULD DO FULL JUSTICE TO BOTH. GHASUS THEN INDICATED PART OF PROBLEM WAS COST TO RGA. ADCM ACKNOWLEDGED FINANCING A CONSIDERATION BUT THAT IMPORTANCE OTHER GOVERNMENTS GIVING TO CONFERENCE COULD BE ADDED FACTOR RGA CONSIDERATIONS.

3. THASUS SAID THAT REVISED REPORT AND SHOPPING LIST RECEIVED JULY 7 AND HE JUST THEN READING REPORT AND "AFRAID TO OPEN THE SHOPPING LIST." NE HATED HE READING REPORT TO ASCERTAIN IF RGA'A RECOMMENDED CHANGES AND ADDITIONS TO SECOND DRAFT HAD BEEN INCLUDED AND SAID THUS FAR THEY HAD BEEN. ADCM SAID EMBASSY HAD NOT YET RECEIVED EITHER REPORT OR SHOPPING LIST, BUT THAT REPORTS FROM GENEVA INDICATED BOTH IN LIST.
(COMMENT: EMBASSY RECEIVED COPIES OF SHOPPING LIST AND DRAFT REPORT OF JOINT UN/FAO EXPLORATORY MISSION ON 9 JULY.)

4. AT CONCLUSION CONVERSATION GHASUS SAID HE WOULD SUGGEST RECONSIDERATION OF DECISION NOT RPT NOT TO SEND HIM IN LIGHT IDUWUASHPRESENTED.
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